Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management

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Contribution of regional committees and thematic groups to the global geospatial information agenda (for discussion and decision)

Statement provided by:	
Japan	
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Japan reserves its judgement on the following points and requests further information about what is

proposed because the concept itself and our mandate as the Committee of Experts are not clearly proposed.

- ✓ global geospatial information management in the wider UN system
- ✓ the Generic Geospatial Job description
- ✓ Chief Geospatial Officer

Japan questions whether recognizing the importance of the implementation of the Secretary General's Data Strategy is the issue of the Committee of Experts because the Secretary General's Data Strategy is focused on the UN Secretariat with a hope to serve the UN family. However, Japan recognizes that the Secretary General's Data Strategy is a good technology document comparable with the Data Strategies of respective Member State governments.

Japan believes that the resource mobilization issue of the Network should be discussed based on detailed facts, needs, costs, and benefits. In addition, Japan requests clarification on the reason why the Committee of Experts is assumed to be in a position to express its views on the need to resource the Secretariat of the Network.

Japan cannot make any judgement on the websites in Paragraph 26 because the definitions of the guidelines and educational content are not clear. Without a clear definition, it is not possible to discuss whether the documents are shared in an integrated manner or a distributed manner.

Geospatial Information Authority of Japan (GSI)

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